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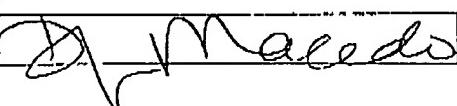
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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated July 13, 2004 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before October 13, 2004. In view of the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.